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England and Germany Do Not Agree
on Transvaal Affairs—Prince
Will Build Another
Yacht.

London, April 9.—The Prince of Wales has not sold the yacht Britannia, in spite of the rumors of sale that have been cabled to various countries during the past three days. Nevertheless it is believed here that he is willing and anxious to sell the yacht.

This belief is founded on the fact of the present more or less strained relations existing between Great Britain and Germany. The differences that have arisen between the countries on account of Transvaal affairs, it is thought in state offices here, renders such a sale decidedly impolitic at the present time.

Where he to retain possession of Britannia he would almost be compelled to sail for the Jubilee Cup, offered for competition by the Emperor of Germany. This might involve the Prince's going to Berlin and joining in the festivities there. At present there is much objection in a quiet way to the Crown Prince doing anything of that nature.

Gerge L. Watson, the yacht designer, has advised the Prince of Wales to increase the lead and sail area of his yacht, being of the opinion that she has not enough canvas to beat the fine-sailing new Imperial yacht Meteor.

The Prince of Wales, it is now announced, has decided to build a new yacht, but she will not be finished until after the Jubilee races are completed.

Yachts and Yachtsmen.

It was learned yesterday, by means of a letter from Port au Spain, Trinidad, that John Jacob Astor's big steam yacht Nourmahal is homeward bound. She will stop at Venezuela and also at Punta Gorda, Yucatan, where Mr. Astor will leave the yacht. After a few days' shooting he will come to New York by train.

The new yacht, owned by Chester W. Chapin, arrived at Tebo's basin from Tampa, Fla., yesterday afternoon under command of Captain J. W. Matthews. The yacht was built at Tampa from designs by A. Cary Smith, and is her first voyage north. She has proved an excellent sea boat and made the voyage from Tampa in ten days, eight and a half of which were spent in the run from Miami, Cape Florida, to this port. She ran in a heavy sea off Cape Florida coast and "held-to" for twenty hours. The new craft is of modern design, with long overhanging stern and a canoe bow. She is sixty feet over all, forty feet water line, sixteen feet beam and five and a half feet draught.

Commander C. A. Gould is overhauling his steam yacht Nourmahal at Tebo's basin. A new foremast will be shipped to-day, and she will go into commission in time to take part in the naval parade off Grant's Tomb on April 27. Captain J. P. Rich, who was on the steamer Ara last year, is in command.

The steam yacht Albatross, Jacob Ruppert, Jr., is on the small dock at Tebo's, fitting out for the season. She will participate in the regatta on Grant Bay.

Charles Tatum's steam yacht Cosette, Riverside Yacht Club, is fitting out for the season at South Brooklyn. Mr. Tatum expects to have her in commission within a week. Captain D. A. Wood is in command.

Albert H. Flint, of Providence, R. I., yesterday sold his steam yacht Half Moon to a New York yachtsman through the brokerage department of William M. Tebo. The Half Moon is 70 feet long and was built by the Gas Engine & Power Company in 1890. She will be enrolled in the Larchmont and New York Yacht clubs.

Work has been completed on the new spars, rigging and sails of J. J. Rogers Maxwell's rejuvenated schooner Emerald, and she is expected at South Brooklyn in a few days, when her spars will be set up and sails hoisted. Captain Peterson has been superintending the work on spars and rigging.

The steam yacht Armoria, T. P. Haviland, Atlantic Yacht Club, is being fitted out for the season at the foot of Twenty-third street, South Brooklyn, and will be in line during the memorial services at Grant's Tomb on April 27. William M. Tebo has built a new home on the long pier adjoining the office of the firm for the yacht master and engineer. Association. In addition, the Social Hall is being repaired and improved. The officers of the association are: President, Captain J. P. Bishop, and Secretary, Captain Thomas J. Miller, steam yacht secret. The trustees are John Lano, chief engineer of the steam yacht Intrigue, George Hermes, chief engineer of Corsair, Chief Engineer Brown, of the Black Pearl, and Corning and Bay and Capt. Brewster, of the George Petros, respectively. Business meetings are held the first Thursday of each month.

THE EMPRESS OF RUSSIA.
A story of real life by the Captain Hervey in the Evening Post. To-morrow's extraordinary SUNDAY JOURNAL.

Sporting Notes in Brief.

"Kid" Laker got into the ring at the Eureka Athletic Club, Baltimore, Thursday night, for a little argument with Johnny Nix. But before a blow had been struck, Mrs. Laker, mother of the fighter, entered the ring, snatched her son from the referee's hands, and ran home and broke up the bout.

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Singerly, Md., April 9.—The racing was postponed here to-day partly on account of the condition of the track and partly because the weather was so stormy. The old Keystone Racing Association, which had control at Iron Hill, has been dissolved, and the various tracks have been split into individual hands. This step was necessary in order to secure charters for two of the tracks. Tom Flynn, who is to have charge of No. 1 track at Iron Hill, was to race after the close at Singerly. It was stated to-day, however, that the Elkton meeting would begin, as originally announced, April 13.

They "Sprang" the Trotting Bill.
Albany, April 9.—The Albany amendment to the racing law which allows public selling at trotting meetings passed the Senate to-day before the Senators knew what bill they were voting on. Senators Higgins and May called attention to the fact that the bill had been passed, and there was considerable consternation among certain Senators who are opposed to the bill. Senator May moved that the vote by which the bill passed be reconsidered, and this motion was laid on the table. It will be taken up when a full Senate is present.

Fitzsimmons Reaches Chicago.
Chicago, April 9.—Fitzsimmons reached town to-day and was given a warm reception.

Baseball—New York League team vs. Yale University at Polo Grounds to-day, 2:30.

LEHMANN IS SATISFIED.

Thinks the Harvard Crew Has Improved
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Cambridge, April 9.—Coach R. C. Lehmann, of the Harvard crew, expresses considerable satisfaction with the way in which the oarsmen have worked during the winter. He says:

"When I returned and took the crew on March 10 they had been on the water about a week. I found them rowing in very good shape. They showed great confidence and greater strength, which proved to my mind that they had been carefully thinking out for themselves what they had been learning in the fall.

The work in the barge has shown a steady and continued improvement. The stroke has lengthened out, the swing and balance have become better, the grip at the beginning is firmer, the work of the blades in the water is, on the whole, clean and strong, although there is still here and there a tendency to 'feather' under water.

"Physically the men are a fine, powerful lot. Fully as strong and well-developed as the Englishmen, who form the two university crews there."

A DAY'S REST FOR THE HORSES

Rain Prevents Any Noteworthy Performances
at the Race Tracks.

The rain yesterday gave the horses and trainers at the local tracks a chance to rest.

At Gravesend the only showing worth recording was a mile by Counselor Howard in 1:50. Considering the conditions the

PRESIDENT McMILLAN COLLECTS FACTS.

They Are in Reference to
the Cyclists' Path on
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ASPHALT STRIPS NEEDED.

Fine Pacemakers for the First
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to Patchogue.

President McMILLAN, of the Park Commissioners, is still a trifle unwilling to believe that the action taken in giving the cyclists a short strip on Riverside Drive for a path embarrassed the pedestrians to any great extent.

Desiring to have something more than mere hearsay for his information he caused careful observation to be made by the officers on the drive to learn whether the pedestrians were crowded or greatly inconvenienced. A brief has been made of their statements, and the president of the

boards to please throw one bouquet their way. The proposed asphalt strip up Third street will be some convenience, but there should be another strip or two more on streets further to the west.

The century run to Patchogue, which takes place Sunday under the auspices of the New York County Wheelmen, promises to be successful. Many riders think that it is too early in the season to ride such a long distance. Still, the majority believe that the early spring is the best time of the year for long-distance riding. If the weather is fine the riders will not regret having entered the run. The Century Committee has accepted entries only from persons of good character, and no rowdianism will be seen, as was witnessed on some of the century runs last season. A number of ladies have entered.

Among the pacemakers on this run will be Captain Charles P. Stauch, of Company E, Eighth Regiment; Thomas Ward, Riverside Wheelmen; Louis Rauschko, Metropolitan Wheelmen; Captain J. M. Long, Triumph Wheelmen; Captain Clarence and Lexington Wheelmen, and E. C. Little, ex-captain Mount Vernon Cycle Club.

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